

REMARKS

This communication is considered fully responsive to the *Ex parte Quayle* Office Action mailed October 19, 2006. This communication is being filed concurrently with a request for continued examination and an information disclosure statement to be considered by the Office.

In the October 19, 2006 action, the Office allowed claims 21-27, 29-41, 43-49, 65, 76-87, 91-97, 99, 103, and 104. The Office objected to claims 98 and 100 due to informalities. Applicant has amended claims 98-100 in order to satisfy the Office. Applicant thus believes that the claims are in a condition for allowance and requests the Office to review the information disclosure statement filed herewith and to issue a Notice of Allowability.

The Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the allowance of claims 21-27, 29-41, 43-49, 65, 76-87, 91-97, 99, 103, and 104 in the subject application by the Examiner. The Applicant agrees with the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance to the extent that claims 21-27, 29-41, 43-49, 65, 76-87, 91-97, 99, 103, and 104 are patentable over the references in the record.

However, the Applicant expressly traverses the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance to the extent that any statement is intended to or has the intended effect of limiting a claim scope, explicitly or implicitly, by not reciting verbatim the respective claim language, or is intended to or has the effect of limiting a claim scope by stating or implying that all the reasons for patentability are in any way fully enumerated. The Applicant specifically does not acquiesce or agree in any manner as to any assertion in Examiner's statements that may be interpreted to narrow the claims to less than their recited scope.

Conclusion

Based on the amendments and remarks herein, the Applicants respectfully request that the Office review the information disclosure statement filed herewith and to issue a notice of allowance for claims 21-27, 29-41, 43-49, 65, 76-87, 91-100, 103, and 104 in this matter.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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